LOWELL WINS HOKOR

TAKES FIRST PLACE IN ALL FIVE EVENTS AND LEADS BY HAND SOME FIGURES.

Loweil 121. Bisbee Central, 87. Lincoln, 69,

Lowell carried off the honors easily at last night's indoor track meet for the grammar grade scholars, held at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium in the first contest of the kind ever held in

About 200 people despite the weather, were in attendance and each school had its contingent of rooters. the noise they made at times being

After the meet had been concluded visitors were trated to a basketball contest between the girls' teams of the seventh and eighth grades the latter winning a well-played game by score of 12 to 8.

Then two picked teams from the Central high boys' squad went on in an exhibition game ,the Whites trimming the Blacks, 31 to 17. Fortyboys competed in the track (1. 《行事》章

RED MEN SELECT OFFICERS AND EAT

At the conclusion of last night's aunual election of officers by Cochise night for Dover, Tribe No. 7, L. O. R. M., the 75 mem bers present, with a number invited in from outside the lodge, sat down to a banquet at the expense of Jack Breslin. The occasion was the fact that Jack is the proud father of a brand new pappoose. Johnnie Anderson was master of ceremonies and for the purchase of seroplanes for the members feasted until a late hour, the army. The machines will be used Officers elected were as follows: Sachem, P. S. Munch.

Senior Sachem, Sam Verran, Jr. Junior Sachem, William Buckett, Prophet, Lee Ross. Custodian of Records, F. C. Fender-

Keeper of Wampum, J. B. Anderson. Trustee, M. C. Benton. Medicine Man, M. D. Cohen. Delegates to Great Council, D. B. Lee, W. P. Marden, M. C. Benton.

FOWLER CAUSES SURPRISE.

(By Associaed Press.) AUSTIN, Dec. 23.—Dispatches announcing that Captain Godfrey Fowler is leading Insurgente in Nicaragua. sed a great surprise in the Adjutant General's department as Fowler is not only a member of the Texas Guard, but a member of the governor's staff. It is thought possible a complication may arise and an effort will be made to recall Fowler. Fowler is a grandson of the late John N. Reagan, postmaster general of the Confederate cabinet, and afterwards senator from estate has profited by the rise in

INDORSE KNOX.

(By Associated Press.) NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22.—Pas-sengers arriving tonight from Bluefields, say Knox is extolled on all sides by people of Bluefields. With characteristic fervor they declars they will raise a monument as a tribute to his statesmanship.

LEAVES BIG PARK FUND,

(By Associated Press.) INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—After relatives of George Rhodius had protested in court against opening his will, on allegation that he was of uncound mind and under control of a woman known as Elma Dare, the will was filed for probate in court today and it was discovered he had bequeathed to the city \$750,000 for improvement of parks. Rhodius died in a sanitarium Monday. He left property

The will originally left \$50 000 to Elma Dare, but a codicil cancelled that bequest.

TWAIN ALIVE AND BEHAVING.

(By Associated Press.) REDDING. Conn. Dec. 25. Mark Twain today gave out the following statement as the result of various the southwest.

Lowell lads took first place in every statement as the result of various event of the five scheduled, including reports concerning his health following broad jump, running broad jump and running high jump thereby winding the banner presented by the domestic science department, reading, "Indoor Meet, Champlons, 1909 Bisbee Schools."

The arther newspapers say I am dying; the charge is not true. I would not do such a thing at my time of life. I am behaving as well as I can. Merry Christmas to everybody. (Signed) Mark Twain." (Signed) Mark Twain."

HEARST GETS BUSY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-The Inde ndence lengue, swallowed last fail by Tammany, was set on foot again tonight, dressed in new clothes, on call of Hearst. who was elected

WOMAN RIDES FENDER.

(By Associated Press.) LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23 .- Expecting to see her ground to death by the wheels of a car, hundreds of shoppers tonight stood horrified while aged Mrs. L. J. Labornon sat down on the fender and rode to the end of a block as comfortably as if she had been in a rocking chair.

KEEPS 'EM GUESSING. BRUSSELS, DEC 23.-No trace car be found of Cook either here or at Ostend, aithough there is a possibility that he left Ostend by steamer last

FRANCE BUYS AIRSHIPS.

(By Associated Press.) PARIS Dec. 23.-The governmen oday asked for an immedate supplementary credit of \$48,000 to be used for scouting purposes.

SWITCHMEN STRIKE AGAIN.

(By Associated Press.) Butte, Mont., Dec. 23,-All thos switchmen who are members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and who returned to work a week ago, struck again today, refusing to work while the switchmen's strike con-tinues. While public sentiment continues as at present they fear to return. Several mines have closed, browing sveral hundred men out of work, and traffic in the freight yards is at a standstill

HARRIMAN'S RICHES GROW.

(By Associated Press) NEW YORK, Dec. 23.-Edward H Harriman was really worth at the time of his death more than \$200,000 000, although the recent appraisal of his estate placed the figure at \$149,-000,000. Since Harriman's deat, the market values and it is stated that the wealth of Mrs. Harriman may be conservatively estimated at \$220 000. the richest woman in the world.

THE WEATHER.

(By Associated Press.) Arizona: Fair In south; snow and colder in north Friday. Saturday, generally fair.

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TWO METALS INCREASE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. world's production of gold and silver in 1909 is estimated by the bureau of the mine to have been: Gold, 21,378-480 ounces valued at \$441,932,200; sil-

ver, 203,186,370 ounces, the commercial value being \$108,684,400.

Compared with 1908 the increase in gold is \$31,376,900; eliver increase, 18,992,300 ounces.

Oles in Second Alleman.
(By Associated Press.)
VISALIA, Dec. 23.—With wounds of aprevious attempt at suicide but I was coming. Didn't you get my mespartially healed, Mrs. Elizabeth Gordon killed herself today, slashing her "I have a rather vivid impression ion killed herself today, slashing her throat with a razor. Depressed over financial matters was the cause.

FEATHER WEIGHTS MEET. CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Abe Attell champion feather weight pugilist of the world, and Tommy Mowad of Kansas City will box ten rounds Mon-day night at catch weights. Mowati-has been out of the ring for four years.

How a Man Was Annoyed by Congratulations.

By ADDISON HOWARD GIBSON. [Copyright, 1909, by American Press Asso-ciation.]

For two days a handsome young bachelor of St. Louis had been greatly annoyed by such telegrams as these: "Is it a girl or a boy?"

"Singleton, you happy rascal;" "We Lope the father will survive the

Last, but not least, "I am coming tomorrow. Elma."

"You are, are you?" he vociferated. pacing the room with angry strides. "I'll see about that!"

pleasant bachelor apartments, striving as best he might to forget the annoyauces of the past two days, a young lady of hineteen drove up to his door. "This is Mr. Singleton's, miss. Shall

I go and ring for you?" "No, thank you." And, dismissing walked toward the house. She was surprised at the excellent taste dis- her name will be twice blessed." played in the selection and arrangement of the plants and shrubs which

beautified the spacious grounds. "There is some misunderstanding." she murmured, "or papa would never have opposed the match so strongly, for Mr. Singleton is evidently a man of means. I'm glad Stella has such a delightful home, and, thank God, papa has relented and sent me forth with the olive branch." A servant appeared in answer to her

ring, and she inquired, "Is Mr. Singleten at home?"

"Yes, ma'am; be's in the library." "Conduct me to him at once, please." her down the wide hall and tapped at the library door.

"What's wanted?" demanded a deep voice from within, "Tell bim it's Elma who has come,"

she explained to the man who had given her a questioning glance. "She says she's Elma and wishes to

"Who?" cried the young man, mak-"Never mind," said the girl, ber hand



I'M ELMA," SHE ANNOUNCED PULSIVELT.

self. He's never seen me, but he will know who I am in a moment, I think." The surprised servant walked away. and Elma Weston opened the door for herself. She paused on the threshold and looked half timidly at the handsome man who was reclining on a sofa bear an open window. He arose at once and regarded her curiously with his fine dark eyes.

"You are Mr. Singleton?" she quesned, with a degree of nervousness

Why, I'm Elma," she announced impulsively, rushing to his side and possessing herself of his hand. "Oh, you are!" he responded, with exasperating coolness, though he did not withdraw his hand.

"I am," he returned, "and you""Can't you guess?" with a most be-

"I pever was good at guessing." he

1 cs, and I storted to you and Stella just as soon as we received your tel gram," she went on, "I sent you word

replied somewhat surdonically.

that I did." he returned, gazing in admiration upon the thushed face. "And we are going to be friends now, are we not?" And there was a

pleading look in the violet eyes raised "I hope so," he could not help say

"Oh, you make me so happy! You know, I was away at school when you and Stella elo-when it happened. Papa was very angry and unjust, I know, but when you sent us that telegram he relented right away. He ould not come himself on account of a wretched attack of rheumatism, so he dispatched me on the first train as bearer of the branch of peace. I know I shall love you as a brother. But

so, as she told herself, and yet how could she bear to have her darling forgotten in the household of which she had been the suushine, to have ber ons and daughters in future years

"There are five of us," without a word or thought of the little sister gone before? Then Mollie's words came back to her with another and tenderer significance; "I do wish we could have some kind of a memorial for little Beth!"

A "memorial," not for the eyes of the world, but one that would keep alive in the hearts of her children the memory of that dear lost one. It might not be an impossibility, after all, and the While this irate gentleman sat in his plan, once started in her mind, went on unfolding, and as the last spark died out in its bed of somber gray ashes and the clock counted out, loud and clear in the stillness, the twelve strokes of midnight she rose to her feet with moist eyes, but a hopeful smile upon her lips

"In that way they will be sure to the cab, she entered the gate and remember her." she murmured to herself, "and the little charities given in

It had always been a custom in the Mason family for the children to hang up their stockings the night before Christmes-a custom that, as Mrs. Mason declared, owed its popularity to the one extravagance in that economi ally ordered household-an open fire in the family sitting room. When Christmas eve came there was brought forth for the occasion the usual array of stockings of various sizes and hues, from Mollle's, of conventional black liste thread, down to little Ben's. of coarser, home knit gray, and there was a great deal of chatter and fuss and good natured rivairy over a choice Half reluctantly the fellow showed of places and the finding of plus large and strong enough to sustain the expected burden.

"I'm going to put mine out here at the very end." proclaimed Ben, with a flourish of the article in question and a desperate dive for the biggest pin lo the cushion, but his mother iald her hand gently upon his shoulder with the softly spoken reminder:

"Not there, dear. That's where little ing no movement toward rising and Beth's stocking always hung, you know."

The merry babel of voices suddenly turning the knob, "I'll announce my- censed, and the children turned to look at their mother in a kind of awestruc wonder as, taking from her workbasket a pair of pretty scarlet stockings-baby's favorite pair-she carefully fastened them in the accustomed place with the low voiced explana-

"We have no money to build grand memorial windows or to endow hospitals in the name of our lost darling. but we can keep her memory alive in our own hearts at least in a humbler way. Now I am going to hang up her stockings just as she did on her last Christmas on earth, and we will each contribute something out of our own stores that will make some poor children more comfortable and happy on this the world's great gift day."

Mollie slipped her hand into her mother's and laid her cheek tenderly ngainst her mother's shoulder while she whispered, with a half suppressed

"Oh, mother, dear, that's a beautiful thought, and we'll all be so glad to give something toward dear little Beth's memorial stocking."

The morning saw this promise faithfully fulfilled, and it was wonderful when each one set his or her brains to work what a number of poor, neglected children were remembered and provided for out of little Beth's gift stocking.

Charlie found that with a new pair of skates be could spare his old ones for a poor little lad round the corner who never had so much as a top or ball that he could call his own. Kitty was glud to give a paint box almost as good as new to the crippled girl FINE THREE INSPECTORS.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23 - Five inspectors were suspended from duty for three days without pay because eight Chinese who arrived on the steamer Mongolia succeeded in stealing ashore on the night of Deember 12.

The fugitives were arrested a short tance from the dock.

COURT ORDERS AUDITING.

(By Associated Press.) SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—City uditor Koster was ordered today by he supreme court to comply with demand of District Attorney Langdon to audit the salary warrants of William Burns, formerly a special investigator in ecapection with the graft cases. Burns' salary was \$625

EIGHT HOUR LAW UPHELD.

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23.—The constitutionality of the state statute fixing an eight hour labor law for s is upheld by the supreme court.

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who always sat in her invalid's chair by the window and watched longingly the gay groups of children as they trooped past to school. Outgrown picture books, caps and boots, a pair of warm mittens and a knitted scarf for the ragged little fellow who shoveled snow for the neighborhood and several lace bags filled with candy and nuts contributed from the private store that each had found in his own stocking. It was worderful how much and what a variety of things that pair of stockings held, for whatever was given in their name was supposed to have come

from their diminutive depths. Every one gave freely, and no one felt poorer for the lack of what went to comfort those who were needy. In Molife's pretty new portmonnale was a two dollar bill with a slip attached on which was written. "For the new gloves that Mollie thinks will make ber perfectly happy.""

The little lass laughed good naturedly at this merry reminder of her own words and for a few minutes was full of happiness over her mother's gift, but suddenly a thoughtful expression came over her bright face, and she went silently to her room. Half an hour later she came to her mother with a grave face and the question: "Can I do as I please with the money

you gave me?" "Certainly." was the ready reply, and Mollie's grave face was lightened by a bright and sunny smile.

"I can buy a cheaper pair of gloves," she said confidentially, "and so save out enough to buy some grapes for the little sick boy in the hospital who was run over and whose legs were broken that you told me about."

As the mother gladly gave her consent to this generous plan a joy too deep for words filled her heart. Her determination was strengthened to make little Beth's memorial stocking a lasting institution in her household and thus to keep alive the name of the dear little lost sister in many a grate ful heart for years after that loved form had returned to dust.

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